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RESERVE FUND \$7,750,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [32]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS is allowed at 3 1/2 PER
CENT. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [32]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000
Subscribed Capital \$500,000
PAID-UP \$500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:
D. Gillies, Esq., Chow Tung Shing, Esq.,
H. Stollerfoht, Esq., Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.,
Chan Kiti Shan, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months—Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [17]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$1,000,000
SUBSCRIBED \$1,125,000
PAID-UP \$688,800

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON NEW FIXED DEPOSITS—
For 12 Months..... 4 per cent.
" 6 "..... 3 1/2 " "
" 3 "..... 3 " "
DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.

J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS \$800,000
RESERVE FUND \$325,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
" 6 "..... 3 1/2 " "
" 3 "..... 3 " "
DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [13]

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are
requested to send in a STATEMENT of
BUSINESS CONTRIBUTION during the Half Year
ended 31st December, 1895, on or before the
31st instant, on which date the ACCOUNTS
will be CLOSED.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. COOKE,
Acting General Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1896. [430]

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE
YEAR 1895.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above Office are
requested to furnish the Undersigned with a
LIST of their CONTRIBUTIONS for the
year ending 31st December, 1895, in order
that the distribution of BONUS may be
arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the
31st day of March, instant, will be adjusted by
this Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be
subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHEWSON & Co.,
General Agents.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1896. [456]

MELLINS' FOOD.

JUST LANDED a Large and Fresh Stock of
MELLINS' FOOD.

\$1.15 for a Bottle. \$1.10 for Cash.

H. RUTTONJEE,
13, D'AGUIAR STREET.

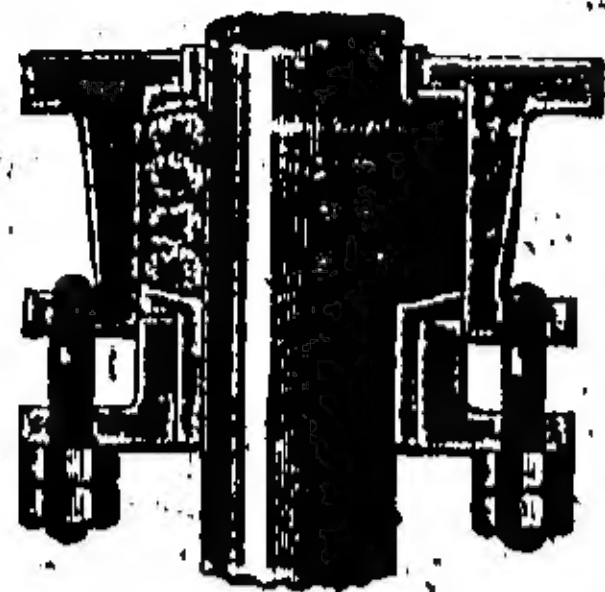
Hongkong, 16th March, 1896. [166]

Intimations.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG HOTEL—PRAYA.

Sole Eastern Agents for



SPRINTOR GRIP ARMORED HOSE.

'SNOWDON, SONS & Co. "SNOW-
DRIFT" MANUFACTURERS.

THE NEW WIRE WOVES ROOFING CO.

THE ALUMINIUM AND GENERAL

FOUNDRY CO.

BELL'S METALLIC and ASBESTOS PACKINGS are unequalled for both Compound and
Triple Expansion Engines.

COTTON PARAGON PACKING, TUCK'S PACKING and all kinds of jointings kept in stock.

SPECIALIZED MADE CLOTH FOR FILTERS. ENGINE AND CYLINDER OILS.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. W. JACKSON, Manager. [30]

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No. 11, 13 and 15 Central Market.

TRFOUR.

VEAL SAUSAGES 25 Cents per lb.

BOLOGNA SAUSAGES 50 Cents per lb.

SHIPPING AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION.

J. TATAM,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1896. [49]

THE SWAN FOUNTAIN PEN.

ORDINARY STYLE.....\$5.00
SELF FILLING STYLE.....\$6.00 & \$8.50

A Pen as nearly perfect as inventive skill can produce.

HOW MR. HALL CAINE WROTE THE "MANKMAN."

"Yes, if the fact is of any consequence, you are very welcome to say that I wrote the
"MANKMAN" with the SWAN FOUNTAIN PEN. It has become quite indispensable to
me. I can use it with ease and certainty anywhere, and at any time, even in the dark, in bed,
and on horseback."

HALL CAINE.

The SWAN FOUNTAIN PEN are made with broad, medium and fine points.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 16th March 1896. [16]

BRAUN'S "EXPORT" BEER.

IS A QUESTION EVERYONE IS ASKING EVERYONE ELSE.

IF NOT, TRY IT AND YOU WILL PRONOUNCE IT A FIRST CLASS LAGER BEER,
A MARVEL OF CHEAPNESS AND A DELIGHT TO THE EPICURE.

PRICE—
\$10.50 per Case of 6 dozen Pilsa. \$12.50 per Case of 4 dozen Quarts.

Cash on Delivery.

THE SEATTLE BREWING & MALTING CO., CHINA-JAPAN AGENCY.

Head Office—8, D'AGUIAR STREET, HONGKONG.

For price and terms, apply to THE MANAGER.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1896. [191a]

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

TO FACILITATE the Winding-up of the Late MR. EWIN
BYRNE'S interest in the

HONGKONG TRADING CO.

A
SALE
WILL COMMENCE ON

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH INSTANT,
WHEN GREAT BARGAINS IN

GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTING
AND

LADIES' DRAPERY GOODS
WILL BE OFFERED.

SALE WILL TAKE PLACE AT

1, 8 & 5, D'AGUIAR STREET.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1896. [521]

"MATHUSALEM,"

CHOICE OLD LIQUEUR BRANDY,

\$42.00 PER DOZEN.

HANAPPIER'S THREE STAR,

EXCELLENT VALUE,

\$21.00 PER DOZEN.

SOLE AGENTS—

GANDE PRICE & CO.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

88, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1896. [420]

EXPLOSION IMPOSSIBLE. JASTRAM'S PATENT GOLDEN MEDAL PETROLEUM ENGINES

OF 2 TO 12 H.P.

FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.

WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.

Consumption of Petroleum 1 lb. per H.P. and Hour.

A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P.

Engines will be shown and full particulars be given on application.

SCHUELE & CO., HONGKONG,

SOLE AGENTS FOR THE EAST.

NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS REQUIRED.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1896. [47]

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STRAITS AND BOMBAY CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS

LONDON.....Bombay.....R. J. Sleeman.....About 21st March.....Freight or Passage.

STRAITS AND BOMBAY.....E. R. Dawell, R.N.R.....About 21st March.....Freight or Passage.

SHANGHAI.....Peshawar.....F. Cole.....About 21st March.....Freight or Passage.

JAPAN, &c.....Canton.....A. G. Cubitt, R.N.R.....About 21st March.....Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c.....Rangoon.....G. K. Wright, R.N.R.....About 21st March.....Freight or Passage.

JAPAN, &c.....Yokohama.....C. H. S. Toques, R.N.R.....About 21st March.....Freight or Passage.

LONDON.....Famars.....E. P. Bishop.....About 21st March.....Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to ALF. WOOLLERY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1896. [43]

PHARMACEUTIC PRODUCTS OF THE FARBWERKE VORM MEISLER, LUCIUS & BRUNING HOCHST A/M.AIN.

DR. KNORR'S LION BRAND

"ANTI-PYRINE,"

(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 TO 35 GRAINS TROCH)

Is the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE,

NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE, ERYSI-

PELAS, WHOOPING-COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the ve / best

ANTISEPTIC. Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty. Ask for DR. KNORR'S

ANTI-PYRINE! Each Tin bears the Inventor's Sign, a Lion "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

"DERMATOL,"

Is the best Valerian; its effect in stimulating the closing up of Wounds is described as

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Dr. OVERLACH'S

"MIGRAINE,"

(ANTI-PYRINE—CAFFEINE CITRATE)

Invaluable for MIGRAINE and of the greatest value in treating HEADACHES of definite

etiology, in the HEADACHES of INFLUENZA, of NICOTINE and MORPHIA POISONING,

and generally where the administration of other remedies have failed.

To be had of every reputable Chemist and Druggist. Supplies constantly on hand at the

CHINA EXPORT, IMPORT & BANK CO.,

SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA.

BEWARE OF SPURIOUS IMITATIONS! [84]

SCOTCH WHISKIES.

FINE OLD GLENLIVAT. VERY OLD HIGHLAND BLEND.

MONARCH OF THE GLEN. RARE OLD BLEND.

WAYFOONG BLEND.

EXTRA SPECIAL FINEST

LIQUEUR.

V.O.S. (OLD MATURED.)

FERRINTOSH (GREAT AGE VERY FINE.)

From 27 to 35 per Dozen.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,

WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1896. [79]

FOR SALE.

G. H. MUMM & CO'S CHAMPAGNE.

In cases of a doz. pints.....\$35 per case.

do " " quarts.....\$33

SHAW & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1895. [33]

MEALS

MONTHLY RATES FOR

AT H.K. HOTEL.

Breakfast.....\$1.15

Dinner.....\$1.15

Supper.....\$1.15

ALL 3 MEALS.....\$4.50

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

GENERAL STORE-KEEPERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.

SHIPCHANDLERY DEPARTMENT.

SIR CHAS. PRICE & Co's ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.

ENGLERBETH'S CYLINDER OIL.

CRANE'S CYLINDER OIL.

VALVOLINE, CASTOR OIL, &c., &c.

TUCK'S GENUINE PATENT PACKING.

ASBESTOS PACKINGS of all kinds.

PARAGON PATENT PACKING.

ROPE, CANVAS, &c.

HUBBUCK'S PAINTS and VARNISHES.

HOLZAPFEL'S PATENT COMPOSITION, ANTI-CORROSIVE and ANTI-FOULING, &c.

SOAPSTONE ENAMEL COMPOSITIONS for Holds, Bulkheads and Top-decks.

FRESH WATER SUPPLIED.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [77]

Insurances.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824.

CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000

TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY.....\$2,450,053

NET ANNUAL FIRE-PREMIAS.....757,678

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the

above Company we are prepared to

accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS

at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1896. [59]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above

Company are prepared to accept First

CLASS FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at

CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept

MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,

&c. Policies granted to all parts of the world

payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,

Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1896. [247]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$33,333.33

EQUAL TO

RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq., LO YUEK MOON, Esq.,

LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMKI.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken

Today's
Advertisements.CATHAY CHAPTER.
No. 1165.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, THIS EVENING, the 19th instant, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1896. [510]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.
ATHLETIC SPORTS.

By permission of H.E. THE GOVERNOR the above SPORTS will be held in the HAPPY VALLEY, on SATURDAY, the 21st instant.

E. D. SANDERS, Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1896. [534]

THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

THE COMMITTEE of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB cordially invite the LADIES of HONGKONG to the ATHLETIC SPORTS to be held on the RACE COURSE, on SATURDAY, the 21st instant.

157 RACE AT 1.10 P.M., SHARP.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1896. [535]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship.

"TANTALUS,"
Captain Hannah, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 20th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1896. [536]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship.

"GHAZEE,"
Captain Bailey, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 20th instant, at 5 P.M.
Instead of as previously advertised.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1896. [419]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANEEO.
THE Company's Steamship.

"THALES,"
Captain H. Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 22nd instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1896. [533]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE "SHANGHAI,"
Captain Spill, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1896. [531]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.
SODA WATER.
LEMONADE.
GINGER ALE.
RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures. Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSSES and other Large Consumers. Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1896. [427]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES
AND
SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first-hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best goods at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS.

with Full Details, to be had on Application.
PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at

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once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currents as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1896. [5]

MARRIAGE.

At Union Church, Hongkong, on March 19th, 1896, by the Rev. G. I. Williams, JAMES BRENNAN JACKSON, Master of the Scottish Oriental Steamship Co.'s steamer *Zoo Sol*, to EMILY, daughter of John Camp, of Brillon, Fleming, North Devon, England.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 1896.

THE DUMPING FIASCO.

Why the sanitary authorities recently decided to "dump" in the sea, the carcasses of cattle which have succumbed to rinderpest at Pokfulam is probably one of those well-nigh insoluble conundrums for which Hongkong has of late years obtained considerable notoriety. In most civilised countries, the disposal of the bodies of cattle which die from rinderpest, pneumonia or other infectious diseases, is laid down that no matter where an animal dies there it is to remain until cremated. It must not be dragged to the nearest "crub"; on no account is it to be "dumped" in a river, lake, or pond; and the driver of the diseased animal is further under obligation to thoroughly cremate the carcass as soon as possible, and if he fails to comply fully and promptly with the provisions of the law he is liable to a heavy fine or imprisonment or both. In Hongkong, although upwards of 500 head of dairy cattle are kept on the island and most of them, having to be imported, are exceedingly valuable animals, there is practically no law bearing on the disposal of the corpses of cattle which succumb to pleuro-pneumonia, rinderpest or any other infectious disease. When the question of the disposal of the bodies of the cattle which had died or had been slaughtered at Pokfulam came up for discussion by the Sanitary Board the other day there appeared to be no rule in existence to guide the Board. Some were in favour of cremation; others advocated dumping, and the "dumpers" won. The result, as everybody now knows, has been most unsatisfactory. The carcasses were taken about four miles out to sea, stones were supposed to be lashed to them, the bodies were ripped open and then thrown overboard. The next day the *Hongkong* sighted the carcass of a cow near Changchow (close to Hongkong) and other steamers have reported passing a large number of dead cattle between Gap Rock and the southern entrance to the harbour. The dumping process seems, therefore, to have proved an utter failure, and a means not only of spreading the disease wherever these carcasses happen to drift ashore, but of rendering it probable that fish that have fed on the offal of these diseased animals will be exposed for sale in the local market. It may be that had the whole of the carcasses in question been cremated that mode of disposing of them would have cost more than dumping, but it cannot, we think, be urged that it could possibly have been less satisfactory. Surely the Government, if it ever had just cause for interference with the Sanitary Board, has now every reason for stepping in, and, in view of the fact that the disease seems to be spreading at Pokfulam, insist on all the cattle which succumb to any infectious disease in this colony being at once cremated. This, we submit, is the least that can be done, and the sooner a mandate of the nature indicated as a regular issue from the Executive the better will it be for the credit of the Government, the pockets of local dairymen generally, and the health of the entire community. As all the members but one of the Sanitary Board are Government officials they will doubtless continue to meekly kiss the rod and obey their orders whether right or wrong.

REUTERS' MESSAGES.

THE EXPEDITION TO DONGOLA.

LONDON, March 17th.

The unexpected decision in regard to the Dongola expedition has caused surprise and irritation in Paris. The *Communique Press* states that M. Berthelot has pointed out to Lord Dufferin the serious consequences that are likely to arise therefrom, and an active interchange of views is proceeding between Paris and St. Petersburg. Lord Salisbury stated that the advance was undertaken after communication with the Egyptian and Italian Cabinets, and upon the former urging the danger of the Derwish advance.

THE WAR IN ABYSSINIA.

Signor Rudini, speaking in the Chamber, said that the Government would reject any peace proposals that were incompatible with the dignity of the country. In the meantime hostilities must be continued. Italy would do nothing to weaken the Italian position. He asked for a credit of 1,500,000,000 Lira.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THERE were four cases of plague from noon yesterday till noon to-day.

The meeting of the Legislative Council fixed for the 24th instant has been postponed *ad hoc*.

CHUNG CHUN-TUNG was expected to take over his seat of office at Wuchang on the 15th instant.

TWO new head of cattle under observation at the Dairy Farm have not yet been declared infected. One more was to-day added to the number of "suspects."

A NUMBER of Chinese householders were prosecuted to-day for having erected bamboo structures on top of their houses, to the danger of neighbouring houses in the event of fire. A fine of \$15 was imposed in each case.

In the course of the trial of a fortnite-taker in the Supreme Court this morning (reported in another column) the sage solemnly prophesied that the plague will be raging here in the third month of the current year. Shocking! Who can doubt it, seeing that the prophet is a Celestial and really looked as if he meant what he said.

THE exhibitions of hypnotism recently given at the Westminster Aquarium have attracted a great deal of attention. A man named Walter Jackson, who was placed in a hypnotic trance, remained in that condition for 40 days before being awakened. When he woke up he was very hungry, and asked when supper would be ready.

Up to the hour of going to press the incoming French mail liner *Yarra*, due from Saigon this forenoon, had not put in an appearance. To the dense fog which has caused considerable inconvenience to coasters is doubtless attributable the fact of this speedy mail boat being slightly overdue. She should "fetch up" here early to-morrow.

AMERICAN manufacturers are working themselves up to a fever over Japanese competition. There is hardly anything, from a clothes pin to a battleship that they do not believe—judging from their statements—the Japanese will make and attempt to put on the American market. Fear has no doubt exaggerated the power and capacity of Japan as a manufacturer. After making due allowance for what she can do in this line, the *New York Maritime Register* thinks American manufacturers will find that they can make a good fight for a large share of international trade, whether the competition be Japanese or European.

THE French Government officials have evidently come to the conclusion that they have no case against ex-United States Consul Waller, who has languished for months in prison at Marseilles. At the outset they accused him of offences which, if committed, deserved death, but they have since been "hedging" and now their offer to release Waller provided Secretary of State Olney will pass a sponge over the United States' international account with France goes far to prove the weakness of the charges made against the ex-Consul. Waller is fortunate to escape with his life and liberty, and though he may bring a damage suit against the French Government for ill treatment, the prospect of recovering any coin is very poor. Americans, who have figured in suits in France, says the *Filice Chronicle*, could tell Waller that justice is not dealt out there to the stranger.

THE *Junco* *Ganillo* of the 20th ultimo says:—Mr. C. Black, the third engineer of the B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Palamonella*, now lying at the latter steamer, has been missing since Wednesday morning. He was last seen by the *Junco* on duty on board the steamer at 3.30 a.m. He was then coming up on deck from the engine room in order to turn in, and it is supposed he walked overboard in his sleep some time later.

THE Newchwang correspondent of the *Ministry* writes under date of 24th February:—After an absence of over a month Mr. Horie, H.B.M. Consul, and Lieut. Quayle, of H.M.S. *Rattler*, have returned from their mission to Kifu. The differences between Dr. Greig and the Chinese have been satisfactorily arranged. The travellers had a somewhat adventurous journey. On one occasion the inn in which they stayed over night was attacked by a band of robbers. These armed with repeating rifles fired prodigiously at the mud walls, some bullets passing in dangerous proximity to the foreigners. When the assailants discovered that foreigners were lodged in the house they retired.

MEMORANDA.

TO-DAY, 19th March.
9 p.m.—Convocation of Cathay Chapter.

FRIDAY, 20th March.
English Mail Due.

Lecture on "Chinese Chess" by Mr. W. C. Barlow, at the Odd Volumes Society Rooms, Bayk Buildings.

SATURDAY, 21st March.
Noon—*Cable* leaves for San Francisco, via usual route of call.

Noon—Meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd., at the Company's office, No. 9, Prince Central.

1.30 p.m.—Annual Athletic Meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club, at Racecourse.

9.30 p.m.—Willard Opera Co.'s performance at the City Hall.

9.15 p.m.—Meeting of *Reliance* Lodge.

ANOTHER SCARE IN CANTON.

THE LATEST GUNPOWDER PLOT.

A gentleman who returned to-day from the fair "City of Rams" informs us that there appears to have been a good deal of truth in the somewhat vague rumours recently current regarding the probable outbreak of a rebellion in the neighbouring province of Kwangtung.

The masses, including even the large floating population, evince a restlessness and disposition to create serious disturbances, and a few days ago so serious was the aspect of affairs in the vicinity of the Shamoon that the Viceroy caused a Tartar Colonel and 100 picked men to be stationed within hall of the Shamoon to keep the people in order in that part of the densely populated city. The General in question, and a brother officer strolled into the Shamoon a day or two later and sat down on a seat to have a chat and gaze upon the foreign warships at anchor off the Concession. They had been seated about five minutes when a Shamoon Municipal constable walked up to them, stated he had orders to keep all strangers off the island, and requested them to cross the bridge into the city. This was a little more than the high and mighty Tartar Colonel could stand. He cursed the policeman, said he'd make him exactly one head shorter if he caught him in the sacred city, and wanted to know how such a despicable creature could dream of speaking to one so far his superior and even go to the length of requesting him to "move on." Nothing daunted by the rudeness of the gallant Colonel's verbosity, the policeman caught hold of him by the queue, a scuffle ensued, the Colonel's friend "chipping in," and thereby helping his friend to get the better of the constable, who would have fared badly had not some of the spectators interfered, amongst them a foreigner who explained to "bobby" who the august visitors were. Peace was soon restored and an adjournment made to the battlements to the "Vic" where, so the story goes, the health of the Emperor Kwang-su was drunk in bumpers of the best champagne in the house.

A few days ago, while the Tartar General's quarters in the Tartar city were undergoing extensive repairs, workmen discovered a large mine under the building containing enough gunpowder and shot and shell to have blown the General, his house, and all that therein is clean over the moon. This was reported and the news leaked out a good deal of uneasiness was felt in the city. Hardly had the news of this plot to blow up the Tartar General reached the uttermost parts of the city and become the subject of heated discussion in the tea-houses, bazaars, and military camps than an attempt was made by about a thousand armed men to get into the Tartar city. The whole of them were, it is said, armed with revolvers and short swords and had their eyes affected an entrance would have made short work of the Tartar troops, who are armed only with antiquated muskets, gungalls, bows and arrows, pikes and tridents. The guards at the gates got wind of the affair, however, and before two hundred of the rebels got into the minor city the gates were closed, and the whole place cleared of civilians in a twinkling.

At the present time, so our informant states, upwards of a thousand Tartar regulars are on duty day and night at the western, or main, entrance to the Tartar city, and they have strict orders to keep all strangers at a respectable distance. It may turn out that the discovery of the mine under the Tartar General's house and the discovery of the plot to effect a coup d'etat have damped the ardour of the leaders of a movement which has been gradually developing in Kwangtung for months past; but as far as can be gathered in some quarters it appears that thousands of Cantonese are armed and only wait for the signal to commence operations on a gigantic scale.

It is very difficult to sift the wheat from the tares in this connection, and the reports now published must, therefore, not be accepted as absolutely true. There can, however, be little doubt that the neighbouring provinces contain all the elements requisite for a serious outbreak and to this fact may be attributable the presence of three foreign warships in Cantonese waters at the present time, namely, H.M.S. *Archer*, the German gunboat *Ilia*, and a French gunboat.

It is rumoured in certain Chinese quarters of the city that small quantities of arms (revolvers, etc.) and ammunition are being daily smuggled into Canton from Macao. The arms are, it is said, purchased in Hongkong, taken to Macao and thence sent by way of Canton by junks and river steamers.

THE OPENING OF THE WEST RIVER.

(Continued from yesterday.)

WUCHOW-TU.

This is the name of a prefecture in the district called Kuei-ping-wu Tao, Kwangsi province. The ancient or classical name of the prefecture city is *Ta-ang-wu*; it is in latitude 23° 20' North and longitude 110° 31' East. The distance thence to Peking is officially said to be 8,350 li, and from the provincial capital Kiu Hsi. The prefecture of Wuchow is coextensive to the province of Kwangtung, and comprises five counties, namely:

1. *Ta-ang-wu Hsien*.
2. *Tung*.
3. *Jung*.
4. *Ts'ung Ch'iu*.
5. *Hsui Ch'iu*.

The first of these five counties, *Ta-ang-wu Hsien*, is the chief county or Shien, and its managerial seat, as usual, is within the prefecture city walls.

The city itself is conveniently situated at the junction of the Kuei Ching, or *Pa Ho*, with the Hsi Ching, or *West River*, and is a busy place, as all the trade of Kwangsi and some trade from or for Hunan, Kweichow, and Yunnan passes here and pays *Lik* at the station outside the city.

The Commissioner of *Lik* Revenue is an *Ex-Imperial* *Ts'ao*, and being the principal civil official at Wuchow generally meets things with a high hand; and whose little treatment of a British vice-

chant, Mr. John Andrew, who was endeavouring to dispose of some foreign merchandise there under Transit Pass regulations according to treaty. General Meany thinks the *Ts'ao* or *Ex-Imperial* Commissioner of *Lik* in Customs doubtless acted according to instructions sent by the Governor of the province, the Viceroy of the Two Kwang provinces, the Superintendent of *Hoppe* at Canton all possibly according to special instructions from Peking.

Kwangsi has always been called *Wu-chow* in the spring of 1896, and although I produced despatches from the *Hong-shi* Yamen and proved myself to be an official in the adjoining province of Kueichow I had to return to Canton to obtain a British Consular passport before being allowed to proceed further. I demanded and obtained compensation for delay, and Viceroy Liu K'an-yi, who was then at Canton, apologized to me for the annoyance I had been put to. I then proceeded as far as Kuei-shan Fu, the provincial capital, where I stayed six days unaccompanied though several attempts were made by the gentry to wear me out. I did not leave until it suited my convenience to do so. I went into the city and visited the places of renown therein and offered to call on the officials if they would promise to receive me. They all begged to be excused, but they exchanged presents with me, indicating that personally, at least, they did not object to my presence there. As a British officer I took note of all I saw and heard concerning the future prospects of British power in Kwangsi. I subsequently re-visited Kwangsi on my return from Yunnan, in 1893, and was again detained; this time at Kuei Hsien on the West River, where I afterwards remained three months. To suit my own convenience, much to the annoyance of the officials, who offered me presents as bribes to leave the place. Kwangsi province ought to have been opened to foreign trade long ago, but one nation cared less for securing the necessary expense and trouble to do so, but all the Treaty Powers, excepting France, hoped that England would and thus afford them easy access to that province at small expense.

THE REVENUE OF KWANGSI.

Prefecture dues and *Lik* taxes are levied in every prefecture, department and district. Sub-prefecture and county dues are raised at the entrance to every city and town. Every article in domestic use is saddled with heavy duties, and, burdened with further grievous imposts as soon as landed.

As might be expected, where such a state of things is allowed to exist, a great deal of smuggling is carried on in all parts of Kwangsi. Bands numbering from one to two or three hundred armed men are frequently met with, loaded with valuable merchandise which has been procured at certain places and conveyed to distant markets without paying any duty at all, as no Custom House would dare attempt to levy dues or taxes of any kind from such traders.

It is evident that the number of Custom Houses and *Lik* barriers existing in Kwangsi are only so many drawbacks to the expansion of legitimate trade.

One of these overland trade routes leads from some port in the Gulf of Tonking, through Kwangsi to various parts of Kueichow and Yunnan by the way of *Fa-shuei*.

Another overland trade route leads from the treaty port of Pakhoi *via* Kuei Hsien (Lat. 23° 07' N. Long. 101° 50' E.) and Liuchow-fu (Lat. 24° 34' N. Long. 109° 00' E.) to various other parts of Kwangsi and Kueichow.

The revenue of the province of Kwangsi is difficult to estimate. The major portion of it, as has been said, is derived from the land tax, but large sums of money are collected daily at the various Custom Houses at Wuchow-fu, for the reason that all the rivers of the province unite in one large stream just above Wuchow and therefore almost all the merchandise imported into or exported from the province is bound to pass the Wuchow barriers and pay certain *quittances* thereon.

Although the gross revenue of the province cannot be very approximately estimated through lack of proper information, nevertheless the revenue derived from the land tax has been ascertained from the official provincial archives, in which it is fixed at *Ti* 416,300. Some other taxes, namely, duty on salt and what are entered as "miscellaneous items" are estimated to bring *Ti* 73,914. Of the gross revenue of the province the Provincial Treasurer is required to remit to Peking at least *Ti* 278,530 once a year. The Governor of the province is supposed to draw a salary of *Ti* 30,000 per annum, but it is well known that he usually sits at least three times as much as this.

KWANGSI SHIPPING.

There are in Kwangsi many fine house-boats, or passenger barges, called *ts'ao ch'uan*, so named after the county *Fai Hsi* Hsien where they are built.

These barges are comfortably, and sometimes elegantly fitted up for the accommodation of travellers, affording excellent though slow means of travel on the principal rivers of Kwangsi, and furnishing travellers with clean and comfortable quarters at all times. For this reason Chinese officials and well-to-do traders generally prefer travelling by water throughout the province than by land, although journey by water may be much more expensive and may take three times as long as it would take to accomplish the same journey by land. Travelling in a *ts'ao ch'uan* is, in fact, dreadfully slow work, and rather expensive for a single person, though fairly cheap for a small family or two or three friends travelling together.

These barges carry large crews. They have no ordinary mast, but a galley steered by the crew. The cabin deck is for a mast, and large crews are employed to pull the barges up and down the river. The usual mode of propulsion in these barges is by means of the crew walking along the river bank, harnessed to a tow-line-rope through a small pulley or block fastened to the head of the barge. Where towing in this manner cannot be conveniently done the crew propel the barge by means of two large oars, or paddles, worked "one on each beam," or by means of pulling with the hands and feet, or by means of long poles bearing on the bed of the river. Sometimes when carrying officials of influence these barges are towed by government steamers from Canton to any place on the West River as far up as Wuchow-fu.

Besides these large barges there are various other kinds of house-boats and junks of all sizes to meet the requirements of everybody, and in which Chinese passengers may travel in a fairly comfortable manner. Lower cost than in possible one of the *ts'ao ch'uan*, the *ts'ao ch'uan* or *ts'ao ch'uan* is the cheapest and fastest, but foreigners and the majority of respectable Chinese travellers prefer paying more money for better accommodation, because a person cannot stand upright in the *ts'ao ch'uan* and they are usually so crowded that each person has but little room to eat, sleep and move in them while on voyage.

After the *ts'ao ch'uan* the best kind of house boat are those called *ts'ao ch'uan*, a name derived from the resemblance of the stem to a Chinese knife handle. Most of these junks sail from *Ta-hsi*, a large port already mentioned, not far from the city of Kuei-shan.

These *ts'ao ch'uan* house-boats are not nearly so elegantly fitted up as the *ts'ao ch'uan* barges, but they are, nevertheless, fairly convenient and comfortable, and well adapted for carrying passengers of all kinds. They are carried by junks and boats, all of which are, but the crew of the *ts'ao ch'uan* is very high; the time occupied in reaching

against the current very long, and the passing through the many Customs barriers abounding on every waterway very tedious and annoying, all tending to delay the proper transaction of business and the natural expansion of trade in these parts.

THE CURRENCY OF THE PROVINCE.

The well-known and familiar copper cash is the current coin of the realm throughout China, but in Kwangsi coins of the Emperor *Tao-huang* and preceding Emperors are preferred to those of more recent date, and in some places no other coins, but those bearing the mark *Tao-huang Tung-pao* will pass current. Even the smaller ones bearing this mark are not accepted, nor are common brass coins of any date accepted in some places; nothing but *Tao-huang* cash of pure copper or of brass will pass in the prefecture of Liuchow-fu and other places near the frontiers bordering on Kueichow.

In the cities and towns all kinds of foreign silver coins, very much defaced by the common practice of "chopping" them, and fragments of such coins, are in common use in the usual manner now prevailing at Canton. Clean dollars are not accepted, excepting by a few Canton merchants, who take them at a discount and convey them to Canton to purchase foreign merchandise.

The silver balance in use is like the common steel cent and a clean Mexican dollar, one ounce (100g) is equal to seventy-two hundredths of a tael in weight.

The common weights and measures throughout the province are generally the same as at Canton, although it is quite probable that larger buyers of local produce make use of a larger piece than 133½ lbs. English when buying produce from the aboriginal countrypeople.

THE PROVINCIAL CAPITAL AND GOVERNMENT. The government of Kwangsi province is much the same as in other provinces of the Chinese Empire, and it is centered in the chief prefecture city, Kuei-shan-fu (Lat. 25° 13' N. Long. 110° 14' E.) and distant south-west from Peking 4,649 li, or say over fifteen hundred miles.

The Governor of the province and the usual staff of civil and military officials are stationed at Kuei-shan.

The Provincial Commander-in-Chief of the Military and Riverine Forces is now stationed at Liuchow-fu on the frontier of Tonking and the Viceroy of the Liang-hwang resides at Canton. A *Ts'ung-shing Kwan*, or General of Division, is now stationed in the prefecture city of Liuchow-fu, which place was formerly the station of the Commander-in-Chief. Another General of Division is stationed at *Fai Hsi* Hsien.

THE MAIN ROADS AND BYE-WAYS.

The roads in Kwangsi are mere foot-paths, although they are called *ts'ao ch'uan* or official highways.

Each prefecture city is also connected by a system of roads with all its own sub-prefecture and county towns.

All these roads are now, or were formerly, paved with lime-stone boulders, rendered as smooth as glass and as slippery as ice by reason of their flinty nature and constant wear for ages. Most of these roads have been made in the most direct line, but there are others, or bye-roads, leading to or from various commercial centres which deviate from the direct line considerably in order to avoid various Customs barriers that have been established on all regular roads throughout the province. These bye-roads are usually followed by traders who, by reason of the heavy duties exacted on all merchandise, have abandoned legitimate trading and resorted to smuggling in order to make a living.

All the roads and bye-roads are about as bad as can be, and in some places they have disappeared altogether, from various causes such as landslides and the action of mountain torrents. No attention appears to be paid to the repairing of such parts of the roads as are still in existence.

(To be continued.)

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LIMITED.

The seventh ordinary general meeting of the shareholders in the above named company was held at the Hongkong Hotel at noon to-day, Mr. G. Fenwick, the General Manager, presided, and there were also present Messrs. W. Fenwick, A. Rogers (Consulting Engineer), R. Williams, G. H. Cox, G. C. Cox, F. Henderson, A. Woolley, J. Rogers, A. C. Moore, W. G. Winterburn and H. Hyndman, Jr.

The notice calling the meeting having been read.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and statement of accounts having now been in your hands for some days I will, with your consent, follow the usual course and take these as read. The year under review has, I hope, proved satisfactory to all. The gross revenue has fallen off, but the profit realized shows an improvement on the past year, accounted for by having a better exchange and cheaper coals. Our stock had somewhat diminished. This has been added to again and is now about as it was in December 1894. A fair allowance has been made for depreciation of machinery. All our machines stand at a low valuation and are in good condition, still I consider it a wise policy to write our plant down as it has been depreciated in reducing cost by so doing, as it does, excellent shelter for the men. There is nothing left for me to say regarding the accounts, which I think show a clear and precise statement of our affairs. Should any of the shareholders present have any questions to

Carried unanimously.
Mr. Woolley proposed the re-election of Mr. T. Arnold as auditor.
Second by Mr. J. Rodger and carried unanimously.
The Chairman:—Gentlemen, that concludes the business of the meeting. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow. We will post them, but any who wish to call will receive them personally.
This announcement brought the proceedings to a close.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the fourteenth ordinary annual meeting to be held at the offices of the General Agents at 12.30 p.m. on Friday, the 27th instant:—

The General Agents beg to submit to the shareholders their report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1895.

There was a steady demand for sugar in the Spanish market during the year, and the Refinery at Malabon was kept continuously at work from the 1st of February until 30th of November, but owing to the low prices ruling everywhere the margin of profit was moderate.

Inclusive of \$10,202.65 brought forward from the year 1894, the net gain on working amounts to \$50,727.18, which the General Agents and Consulting Committee recommend should be appropriated as follows:—

To apply to reduction of Property	\$5,000.00
Account	\$5,000.00
Dividend of \$5 per share	35,000.00
Carry forward to next account	9,727.18
	\$59,727.18

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

The Consulting Committee elected at the last Annual Meeting consisted of Messrs D. Gillies and J. H. Lewis; during the temporary absence of the former from the colony Mr. R. Cooke has been invited to join the Board in his place. Messrs R. Cooke and J. H. Lewis offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. Thomas Arnold, who offers himself for election; JARDINE, MATTHEW & CO., General Agents.
Hongkong, 13th March, 1896.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.—31ST DECEMBER, 1895.

Property Account	\$741,342.43
Less: Written off for Depreciation	774,000.00
Value of Ground later sold as old metal	200.00
	74,000.00
Steam-launch <i>Pratichini</i>	4,000.00
Less: Written off for Depreciation	2,000.00
	2,000.00
Refined Sugar	65,027.82
Raw Sugar	31,914.30
Molasses	874.78
Coal, Charcoal, Stores, Mat Bags, etc.	34,661.98
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	112,700.97
Cash	5,985.01
Sundry Debtors	18,311.75
	\$229,620.94

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before Hon. W. M. Goodman, Acting Chief Justice.)
March 19th.

INTERESTING CASE OF MISPLACED CONFIDENCE.

Chan Kin-yan, Li Kin-tai and Yung Tsan-kan were charged at the Sessions this morning on five counts. The first was one of conspiracy to defraud and the others of obtaining money and valuables to the value of \$9,534 from one Chan Ah Kuen by means of false pretences.

Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr. H. L. Dennis) prosecuted and Mr. E. Robinson (instructed by Mr. McAlpine) defended.

Mr. Francis applied for the second and third defendants to be discharged, as no information had been filed against them. This was done.

The prisoner, Chan Kin-yan, pleading "not guilty" to the indictment, the following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. E. F. Rosario, J. M. Remedios, J. S. Watto, A. M. Barajas, C. M. de Rosario, A. N. Rowe and C. A. Faber.

Mr. Francis, in opening his case, said:—May it please your Lordship and gentlemen of the jury, the prisoner is charged on five separate and distinct counts. The first is for having conspired with two others not in custody and not to be found in the Colony, to defraud the complainant of a sum of over \$9,000. In the second, third, fourth and fifth counts he is charged with having obtained four separate sums of money at different times from the complainant by means of false pretences. These four different sums of money are included in the nine thousand odd referred to in the first count.—The complainant, Chan Ah Kuen, is a merchant of the Hong Kong firm, trading as the Yuen Fat Hong, on Bonhom Street. On the 16th December last he entered a fortune-telling shop at No. 138 Wellington Street, attracted either by a sign in the street or through having his attention called to it by some person in the street, and there he met a man named Ng Ping-san, sitting in the midst of the paraphernalia usual to the calling of fortune-tellers. He paid to him to tell him his fortune, told one way, and he came to have it told another way. He was told that he was destined to die before the beginning of the next Chinese year, but that means existed to save him. At the fortune teller's request he called again on the 17th and gave him \$3 to purchase a license and loss paper. On the 18th the complainant and Ng Ping-san went to the Hong Chi Wan temple in Queen's Road, Wanchai, with the license and loss paper, and certain ceremonies were performed there. Before leaving the house in Wellington Street the complainant had written certain Chinese characters on two pieces of red paper, on which on his return he rubbed ashes procured at the temple by the direction of Ng, upon which certain other characters became visible. These suggested that the complainant should do certain good works, one of which was that certain books be distributed to the people in the Leefung mountains. Ng Ping-san undertook to do this, and on the 19th December received \$200 from the complainant to this end, and left for the mountains. Ng returned on the 24th and said he had purchased 3,800 books, which were being distributed. On the 26th the complainant went to the Bowen Road with Ng, and upon a piece of white paper, once again mysterious characters appeared directing complainant to spend \$300 to free animals and birds and \$50 to get himself enrolled in the monastery at the Leefung mountains. This money was given to Ng, who represented that he would carry out the order. On the 27th January Ng returned and said he had carried out the work. He further represented that complainant was very lucky and could obtain the "heavenly jewel" and a valuable treasure, but must first procure a girl; the

principal constituents of which were \$1,400 in bank notes and 35 taels weight of gold, the latter costing \$1,715. This girl was procured, and worn by the complainant on the 18th January, and on the 19th given to Ng. On this occasion complainant met Chang Chun-tao for the first time. Ng was to go to heaven to procure the jewel, etc., and Chang was to instruct the complainant what to do. Having the girl, Ng left, and has not since been seen. The proceedings at this time were such as to prevent complainant blabbing, so that Ng could get away. Chang, by keeping up the scheme, got first \$350, then \$500, and five large gold coins, on the 15th January \$1,600 and on the 18th \$2,800—\$2,200 in cash and \$600 in the form of a promissory note. At the last he introduced complainant to the prisoner, Chan Kin-yan. After receiving this money Chang left, ostensibly to relieve Ng from the hands of the spirits. He has not been seen since. The prisoner was left to carry on the game, and first procured, on the old excuse, \$383 from \$370 to purchase a gold box, in which to receive the "male and female principle," and \$500, after finding that he could not get \$2,500. Then it was necessary to furnish a house to receive the treasure, valued at \$1,600,000, and the complainant handed the prisoner money to defray this expense. The treasure was to have arrived on the 27th January. But in the meantime the complainant's nephew returned from the country, noticed the large sums missing from the business and the muddled state of his uncle's mind. He watched him, overheard some of the conversations, and put the matter in the hands of the Police. The prisoner was found in a lodging house preparing to leave for Canton, and arrested. On him was found \$1,400, which he was preparing to leave with.

Evidence to prove the opening statement was then led, the complainant giving in detail the narrative of how he had been hoodwinked and swindled, and fully bearing out the above story. At the conclusion of the direct examination of the complainant, the hearing was adjourned until to-morrow morning.

RUSSIAN PREPARATIONS.

SHANGHAI, March 14th.

Our correspondent at Hankow sends us a curious bit of news, the political importance of which, he says, is hard to guess—that the Mahomedans in Russia have sent special messengers to their co-religionists in China advising them not to go to Mecca this year as Turkey will be at war with England, and so travelling will be unsafe. This may merely mean that the Mahomedans in Russia have heard that England was contemplating coercing Turkey into doing justice to the Armenians, but it is significant in the light of the statement in the 300K on the Armenian Question lately published, that he could not look with equanimity on any forcible coercion of Turkey. Russia will only allow verbal attacks on her present friend the Sultan, and we have plenty of evidence as to the value of remonstrances addressed to H. M. Abdul Hamid. That there has been an unexpected rapprochement between Russia and Turkey we know, though the report of an alliance between the two Powers has been officially denied. England, so many years the best friend of Russia, is now regarded as the most active enemy of Turkey, and this is coincident with the most furious attacks on England in the Russian journals, semi-official and independent, attacks the Russian censorship does not attempt to modify or suppress. As some of the German papers lately showed their hatred of England by organising an unnecessary subscription for the wounded Boers, so Italy being a friend of England, the *Novoye Vremya*, a leading Russian journal, amuses itself by organising a subscription for the wounded Albanians; an exhibition of feeling intended to wound more than to heal. We regret the more this ill-feeling in a section of Russian society because there is no hatred of Russia in England, but a general desire to be on friendly terms with the Czar. The old fear of Russian aggression has to a great extent died out. It is being recognised that there is no reason why Russia, sufficient guarantees for the freedom of our trade being secured, should not have Constantinople; the long-standing belief that Russia was only waiting for us to be in difficulties elsewhere to attack India, has almost disappeared; and it is also being recognised that Russia's claim to be allowed to secure an ice-free port on the Pacific is natural and legitimate. England and Russia are the two great Asiatic Powers of the present day. There is plenty of room for both of them on this continent; and it is absurd to think that an amicable arrangement cannot be arrived at between them.

Some two months ago we were told that everything was settled in the Far East, and that the abominably large Russian fleet in those waters was about to be dispersed. Then came the renewed troubles in Korea, which resulted in Russia assuming the temporary protectorate of the King and his Government. Japan had made such a mess of her interference at Seoul that no one could find fault with the action taken by her. It was not forced upon Russia, the other Powers being willing to believe that Russia's only object in making the King of Korea a puppet was to such a weak and helpless monarch as he is, for reasons that may be readily surmised, has so far accepted most meekly her displacement at Seoul; but how long peace is going to be preserved in the East and the Far East is another question. Russia's Black Sea fleet is being put on a war footing; her Asiatic squadron is kept up to its full strength, and it is announced that the Russian government will station five more large ocean liners in the Far East. The present year for the purpose of trading between Russian ports and China, Japan, and Korea, which can be used as armed cruisers when necessary, reinforcements of troops are being hurried out from Odessa, and steam colliers are being or have been chartered. A very favourable convention has been made with China, which may be an actual treaty, or may be only a working agreement between Count Cassini and the Tsinpi Yamen; but whichever it is, it is very valuable to Russia. It is amusing, by the way, to see the Yamen thanking Russia for saving the Liaotung Peninsula from Japan, and then practically handing it over to Russia. We know from our correspondents in the North that Russian influence is now paramount in Peking, and so well is the strength of Russia appreciated in Japan that politicians and papers which a year ago were full of the intention of fighting the Power which proposed to interfere with Japan's designs in Korea and Manchuria are now advocating an arrangement with her. There are many signs that the fact that things are coming to a crisis is understood at Tokio. Marquis Ito, the leading statesman in Japan, was to have gone to Moscow to attend the coronation of the Czar, but he has changed his mind. Marshal Yamagata, the hero of the late war, was then named, but he is delayed by sudden illness, while Admiral Katsuragi has been nominated to succeed him to the capital. There are all the elements for disturbance in the Far East this spring, and it is quite possible that the serious preparations now made and being made by Russia will suppress rather than promote it, and this we hope will be the result.—N. C. Daily News.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

French (*Yarra*) overdue.
English (*Pashamur*) to-morrow.
Indian (*Kutiang*) 23rd inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 24th inst.
American (*City of Peking*) 24th inst.
Tacoma (*Tacoma*) 28th inst.
American (*Doric*) 31st inst.
American (*China*) 9th prox.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s extra steamer *Aden*, from China, arrived at London yesterday.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Canton* left Singapore for this port at 8 a.m. on the 17th inst., and may be expected on the morning of the 23rd.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *China*, with mails, etc., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 14th inst.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Nagsaki at 7 a.m. to-day, and left again at 3 p.m. for Hongkong, via Shanghai.

SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 5 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.
Tacoma (Canadian Pacific) from Saigon.
Tanah (Canadian Pacific) from Saigon.
Fushun (Canadian Pacific) from Canton.
Canton (Canadian Pacific) from Canton.
Thales (British) from Coast Ports.
Aggregating 6,365 tons register.

DEPARTURES.
Haitan (Canadian Pacific) for Coast Ports.
Martha (Canadian Pacific) for Saigon.
Aggregating 2,600 tons register.

The British steamship *Tanah* left Shanghai on the 14th inst., and Amoy on the 17th, and had moderate easterly winds and foggy weather.

The British steamship *Thales* left Taiwan on the 15th inst., Amoy on the 17th, and Swatow on the 18th, and had moderate northerly breeze and overcast weather to Amoy; thence to port had light variable winds and foggy weather. In Amoy H.M.S. *Plover*, U.S. cruiser *Concord*, and the steamships *Ghana* and *Albion*. In Swatow the steamships *Kanai*, *Macaw* and *Victoria*.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.
Orion (Canadian Pacific) in Kowloon Dock.
Sui Sang (Canadian Pacific) in Kowloon Dock.
Taita (Canadian Pacific) in Kowloon Dock.
Princess Wilhelm (German) in Kowloon Dock.
Hendin (German) in Kowloon Dock.
Rhosina (German) in Kowloon Dock.
Suffit (H.M.S.) in Kowloon Dock.
Martha (Canadian Pacific) in Cosmopolitan.
Changsha (Canadian Pacific) in Kowloon Dock.

FOOD FOR CONSUMPTIVES.—Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphates of Lime and Soda is a most wonderful food for the Consumptive. It not only gives strength and increases the flesh, but heals the irritation of the throat and lungs. It is very palatable; children take it like milk, and in all wasting diseases both for adults and children, it is a marvellous food and medicine. Any Chemist can supply it.—Sole Agents for Hongkong and the Empire of China—Watkins & Co., Hongkong—Advt.

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.
Commencing SATURDAY, the 21st March.

THE WILLARD OPERA COMPANY AND JOHN F. SHERIDAN, ENGLAND'S GREATEST COMEDIAN. Will arrive per P. & O. S. S. "PESHAWUR."

In consequence of the enormous expense, FOR TWELVE NIGHTS ONLY.

Mr. SHERIDAN is absolutely the first STAR of any MAGNITUDE who has ever visited the East, and is recognized by the entire English Press as the Premier Character Comedian of the day.

The Company will play the following Pieces during their stay in Hongkong.

SATURDAY and MONDAY, 21st and 22nd March, "FUN ON THE BRISTOL."

TUESDAY, 23rd March, "GENTLEMAN JOE."

WEDNESDAY, 24th March, Second Edition of "LITTLE CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS."

THURSDAY, 25th March, "EXTRAORDINARY ADVENTURES OF MISS BROWN."

FRIDAY, 26th March, "ALL A BROAD."

SATURDAY and MONDAY, 27th and 28th March, "THE SHOP GIRL."

TUESDAY, 31st March, "A TRIP TO CHICAGO."

WEDNESDAY, 1st April, "THE ARTISTS' MODEL."

THURSDAY, 2nd April, "DANDY DICK WHITTINGTON."

FRIDAY, 3rd April, (LAST NIGHT), "THE NEW BARMAID."

Prices:—\$3, \$2 & \$1.
BOX PLAN at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD.
SEASON TICKETS admitting to the Series of Twelve Performances \$25 ONLY; NOT TRANSFERABLE.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1896. [525]

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.
AT 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
CHADWICK-KIEW, (LATE OF POH & MOORE).
Hongkong, 14th March, 1896. [525]

Notice of Firms.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned beg to notify the Public that we have this DAY PURCHASED from Messrs. WING CHEONG & Co. the STOCK-IN-TRADE, FIXTURES and GOODWILL of their BUSINESS as MERCHANTS and SHIPCHANDLERS, and the Business will be conducted from this 18th day of February, 1896, as heretofore, FOOK CHEONG & Co., No. 44, Praya Central, AN YON, Managing Partner.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [307]

Hotels.

THOMAS' GRILL ROOMS, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
THE most Liberal and Cheapest menu in the FAR EAST.

BREAKFAST, Tiffin and DINNER by Monthly contract.
Tenders for BANQUETS and BALL SUPPERS on application.

PICNIC and SHOOTING PARTIES Supplied on the shortest notice—A Speciality. For further Particulars, Address:—
THE MANAGER, Hongkong, 12th January 1896 [26]

VICTORIA HOTEL, CANTON, (LATE SHAMKIN HOTEL, CANTON.)

MESSRS. MADAR & FARMER have the pleasure to inform their Patrons, Friends and the Public Generally that, having leased the SHAMKIN HOTEL, they have Refurnished the whole Establishment, had it vastly improved in every department, and have now RE-OPENED it under the more popular Style of VICTORIA HOTEL.
For further Particulars, apply to the MANAGER or NEW VICTORIA HOTEL, Hongkong. [307]

FUJIYA HOTEL, MIVANOSHITA, HAKONE.
Four and a half hours from Yokohama.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION, NATURAL HOT SPRINGS.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT IN ALL THE BUILDINGS.
TWO ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLES.
EXCELLENT CUISINE.
S. N. YAMAGUCHI, Proprietor. [21]

PEAK HOTEL.
OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,150 feet above sea-level, has just been thoroughly re-decorated, renovated and re-furnished, and a NEW WING, has been built, which commands magnificent views of the Harbour and mainland of China.

SPECIAL WINTER RATES, (FROM 1ST NOVEMBER TO 31ST MARCH).
One person, per day \$3 to \$ 3.50
One person, per week 20.00
One person, per month 60.00
Married couple (occupying one room) per month 110.00
Married couple (occupying two rooms) per month 130.00
Extra Bed Room, per month 30.00
Extra Bed Room, per day 1.50
For further particulars apply to THE MANAGER, New Victoria Hotel, Hongkong, 10th October, 1895. [27]

MACAO. THE MACAO. BOA VISTA HOTEL.

SANITARIUM OF SOUTH CHINA. SPECIAL ATTENTION TO FAMILIES VISITING MACAO FOR CHANGE OF AIR.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION. EXCELLENT TABLE. For terms, &c., apply to THE MANAGER, Macao, 31st December, 1895. [1522]

WINDSOR HOTEL, HONGKONG.

THIS ESTABLISHMENT, situated in the elegant Building known as "CONNAUGHT HOUSE," offers First-class Accommodation to Residents and Travellers. Passenger Elevator, from Entrance Hall to each Floor, in charge of experienced Attendant. Favourable Arrangements made for Families and for Monthly or Extended Periods.

P. BOHM, Proprietor & Manager. Hongkong, 3rd April, 1895. [25]

To be Let. WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

FOUR FURNISHED BED-ROOMS at KOWLOON HOTEL. Apply to NEW VICTORIA HOTEL, Hongkong, 2nd March, 1896. [420]

To Let. DWELLING HOUSES—HOUSES IN RYTON TERRACE, No. 17, LYNHURST TERRACE, No. 6, VICTORIA VIEW, KOWLOON. RICHMOND HOUSE, ROBINSON ROAD—Furnished or Unfurnished. Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD., Hongkong, 10th March, 1896. [7]

To Let. FIVE ROOMED BUNGALOW "RHEDA," BOYMAN ROAD. Apply to CHINA MERCHANTS S.M.C., No. 22, Praya West, Hongkong, 15th January, 1896. [104]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE EAST POINT DAIRY FARM COMPANY.

TO avoid any misapprehension, I beg to inform our CUSTOMERS and the PUBLIC in general that our CATTLE are entirely FREE from DISEASE. The majority of our Cattle of which we have over 200 head were specially picked out from the principal healthy Districts and Cattle-raising Districts in Australia by the undersigned, who has been connected with this Company and its Predecessors since 1891, and who has spared no time or trouble to study the Diseases of Cattle, having twice visited Australia and India for that purpose.

A Cattle Plague which broke out the year 1891, in this Colony did not touch our Dairy, which is situated in the Wong Nai Chong Valley at the Eastern part of the Colony and surrounded on all sides with fir and other trees, and it is one of the healthiest localities in this Colony for Cattle. Our Produce, about 1,000 lbs. of milk daily, is used by the Civil and Military Hospitals (not the Officers' Mess as was rumoured in connection with the cases of Typhoid fever) and by the principal institutions in the Colony for the past few years, and is sold at our Depot—No. 12, D'Almeida Street.

A. RUMJAHN, Managing Proprietor, Hongkong, 12th March, 1896. [105]

JUST LANDED FRENCH CONFECTIONERY. Comprising:—

Crystallized Fruits, Baked Almonds, Cocolines, Almonds Flots, Apricotines, &c., Mandar Almonds, &c., CADBURY'S CHOCOLATE CREMES—Vanilla Creams, Honey Creams, Caramels, Nougat Patisches, Pilsener Chocolate, Chocolate Walnut, Plush Bags, Plush Boxes and Fancy Boxes, &c., &c., "TANSAN," the New Japanese Table-Water which contains 8 per cent. more iron-carbonate than that from any other Chalybeate Spring. FLETCHER & Co., "THE PHARMACY," 23, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 10th October, 1895. [48]

J. DENIS, HENRY MOUNIE & CO.

COGNAC. ESTABLISHED 1838.

TRADE MARK. COGNAC. J. DENIS, HENRY MOUNIE & CO. STATIONERS HALL.

BRANDY OF EXCEPTIONAL PURITY AND EXCELLENCE.

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Apply to Messrs. DODWELL, CARILL & Co., Hongkong. M. OPPENHEIMER & Co., Paris, Agents.

A CURE FOR ASTHMA!!! GRIMAULT'S INDIAN CIGARETTES.

Asthmatic people who suffer from Oppression in breathing, stiffness, tension, Hoarseness, and Loss of voice, Nervous coughs, Laryngitis, Colds, with Wheezing, Bronchitis, Insomnia, Catarrhal affections, and difficulty in Expectoration, are promptly relieved by these Cigarettes. GRIMAULT & Co., Paris, sold by all Chemists.

GRIMAULT'S Matico Capsules AND INJECTION.

Renowned Physicians prescribe Grimault's Matico as the most active and at the same time the most innocuous remedy in the treatment of Acute and Chronic Discharges. These Capsules, unlike Cathartics, have not the inconvenience of producing nausea. MATICO INJECTION is used in recent and MATICO CAPSULES in the more chronic cases. GRIMAULT & Co., Paris, sold by all Chemists.

G. FALCONER & CO. WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS and JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS and BOOKS, No. 42, Queen's Road Central. [58]

LEVY HERMANOS. AND AT SHANGHAI, MANILA, ILOILO AND PARIS.

JEWELLERY, DIAMONDS, WATCH, CHRONOMETER & CLOCKMAKERS, GENERAL IMPORT & EXPORT, 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Opposite the Telegraph Office.

TO SHIPMASTERS.

ENQUIRE where your FRESH WATER is obtained by the Water Boats; as FOUL WATER is the cause of much sickness on board ship. We are the only Water-Boat Company in Hongkong exclusively supplying FILTERED WATER. Call Flag "W." J. W. KEW & Co., STEAM WATER-BOT BOAT, 15, Praya Central, Hongkong, 7th October, 1895. [56]

HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.

OREGON PINE BEAMS and LUMBER Always on Hand. L. MALLORY, Hongkong, 14th June, 1891. [40]

JARDINE, MATTHEW & CO., General Agents, Hongkong, 19th February, 1896.

I have examined the books and vouchers of the Company and returns received from the Manila Agents, and certify that the above statements are in accordance herewith.

THOS. ARNOLD, Auditor.

FOOCHOW RACES.

Stewards:—C. F. R. Allen, Esq.; Thos. Gillins, Esq.; H. Baker, Esq.; B. M. Koonzeoff, Esq.; H. Edgar, Esq.; W. Krohn, Esq.; A. W. Walkinshaw, Esq.

SECOND DAY.—WEDNESDAY, 18TH MARCH.

THE FOOCHOW CUP; value \$100; second pony to receive \$25; entrance \$5; for all China ponies; weights as per scale; winners of one race at this meeting 7 lbs. extra; two or more races 12 lbs. extra. One mile and a half.

Grizzly Bear 1
Phobos 2
Arminius 3

Time, 3 m. 41 sec.

The FOOCHOW DERBY; of \$15 each with \$100 added. Divided 70, 20 and 20 per cent to first, second and third ponies; for subscription griffins; weights as per scale. One mile and a half.

Floral 1
Kuma 2
Mephisto 3

Time, 3 m. 38 1/2 sec.

The LORRY CUP; value \$100; entrance \$5; for all China ponies; weights as per scale; winners at this meeting 10 lbs. extra; ponies that have never won a race allowed 7 lbs. Three quarters of a mile.

Masonic.

ZETLAND LODGE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY LODGE of EMERGENCY, to celebrate the JUBILEE of this Lodge will be held in the FREEMASON'S HALL, 24th Street, on SATURDAY, the 21st instant, at 9.15 p.m. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. (H.K. 16th March, 1896.) [528]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"ESMERALDA."

Captain G. A. Taylor, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 21st instant, at 5 p.m.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and is fitted with the Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1896. [532]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO, TIENTSIN AND NEWCHANG.

THE Steamship

"KANSU."

Captain Somerville, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 25th instant, at 3 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer.

The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engine Room. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1896. [503]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Steamship

"TSINAN."

Captain G. R. Ramsay, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant, at 3 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer.

The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engine Room. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1896. [519]

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(Calling at NAPLES for landing Passengers if sufficient inducement offered.)

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)

THE Steamship

"FRIGGA."

Captain J. J. J., will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 25th instant.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIMONSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1896. [460]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.

STEAM FOR COLOMBO, BOMBAY, PORT SAID, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Company's Steamship

"TOSA MARU."

will be despatched as above on or about the 30th instant.

To be followed by a Steamer leaving Japan monthly.

For Freight or Passage, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1896. [479]

JAVI, CHINA JAPAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

(Subject to Alterations.)

JAVI HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AMOY, HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, JAVA.

FROM HONGKONG.

S.S. Germania, to JAVA, March.

S.S. Carina, to JAVA, April.

S.S. Federation, to JAVA, May.

S.S. Federation, to JAPAN, May.

S.S. Germania, to JAPAN, June.

S.S. Carina, to JAPAN, June.

General Agents for China & Japan, LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.

Hongkong, 24th February 1896. [391]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"NESTOR."

Captain Argall, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 18th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1896. [428]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GLENARTNEY."

Captain Gedy, will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 21st April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1896. [507]

Intimations.

A WORD TO THE WISE!

THE SAFEST AND SWIFTEST PROTECTOR AGAINST PLAGUE, FEVERS, SMALL-POX, CHOLERA, AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

ESSETS FLUID,

THE STRONGEST KNOWN DISINFECTANT, GERMICIDE, ANTISEPTIC AND DEODORISER, NON-POISONOUS.

ENDORSED AND RECOMMENDED BY THE HIGHEST MEDICAL, SCIENTIFIC, AND SANITARY AUTHORITIES.

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SOLE AGENTS, APOTHECARIES' HALL, 66, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 13th March, 1896.

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

INSURE YOUR LIFE AGAINST FATAL ACCIDENT BY SUBSCRIBING

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THE SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY WILL PAY

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as furnished to the Company for the Three Months ending 31st March 1896; that the premium thereon has been duly paid; that death takes place within One Month from the occurrence of the Accident, and that notice of death, with full particulars, is sent within fourteen days of its happening to Mr. J. V. VERNON, Hongkong. It being declared that \$1,000 only will be paid in respect of any one death.

* This premium is paid quarterly in advance by the Proprietors of The Hongkong Telegraph.

J. V. V. VERNON, AGENT.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1896.

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "EXCELSIOR," HONGKONG. A. B. C. Code. No. 35.

THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN QUEEN'S ROAD.

DINNER AT 8 P.M.

ARRANGEMENTS can be made for DINNER or SUPPER PARTIES in Private Dining Rooms.

For further Particulars apply to THE MANAGER, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1895.

HOTEL METROPOLE.

1, TSUKIJI, TOKYO.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT. Experienced English matron in attendance.

The Hotel steam-laugh with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggage and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of meeting either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager, YOKOHAMA.

L. DEWETTE, Manager, TOKYO.

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Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"ENERGIA."

Captain Sal, will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 25th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODD, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1896. [530]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG."

Captain Galloway, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1896. [529]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"TELENA."

Captain T. G. Scott, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1896. [471]

"RICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"DOROTHEA RICKMERS."

Captain Pape, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 17th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1896. [461]

"TAM OSHANTER."

Peabody, Master, will be despatched for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1896. [531]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L.L.T. American Ship

"CERASTES."

A. Peters, Master, will be despatched as above on or about the 23rd March.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1896. [531]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L.L.T. American Ship

"TAM OSHANTER."

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1896. [531]

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Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF CHINA, Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 8th April.

EMPRESS OF INDIA, Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 20th April.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN, Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 20th May.

The magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal ports and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months, \$100.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Line passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Paddy's Street.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1896.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaulle (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Saturday, 21st March, at Noon.

Doric (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Wednesday, 8th April, at Noon.

Belgit (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Saturday, 25th April, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 21st March, 1896, at Noon. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic Lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 19th March 1896. [5]

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

J. EYES FLUID

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

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For further Particulars apply to ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th March, 1896. [431]

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Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 28th March. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m. on MONDAY the 30th March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 30th March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than 25 lbs. and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Six in Measurement.

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Hongkong, 9th March, 1896. [447]

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